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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination of the above referenced application, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Presented below is the amended claim in a clean-unmarked format.

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34. (Amended) The channel of claim 32, further comprising a selection of visual enhancements to accompany the visual content, at least some of the visual enhancements capable of being uploaded by the user for subsequent presentation along with the visual content, at least some of the visual enhancements capable of being automatically selected from the selection based on user profile information.

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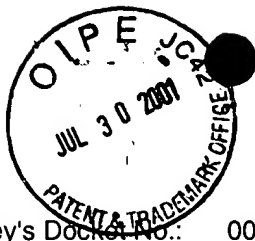
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SIR: Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for the above application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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